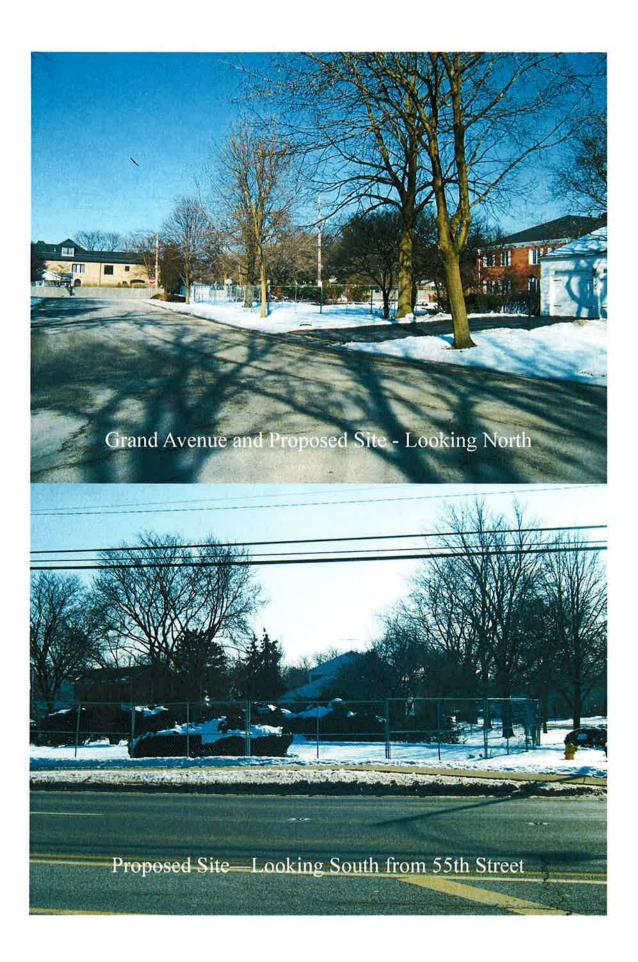
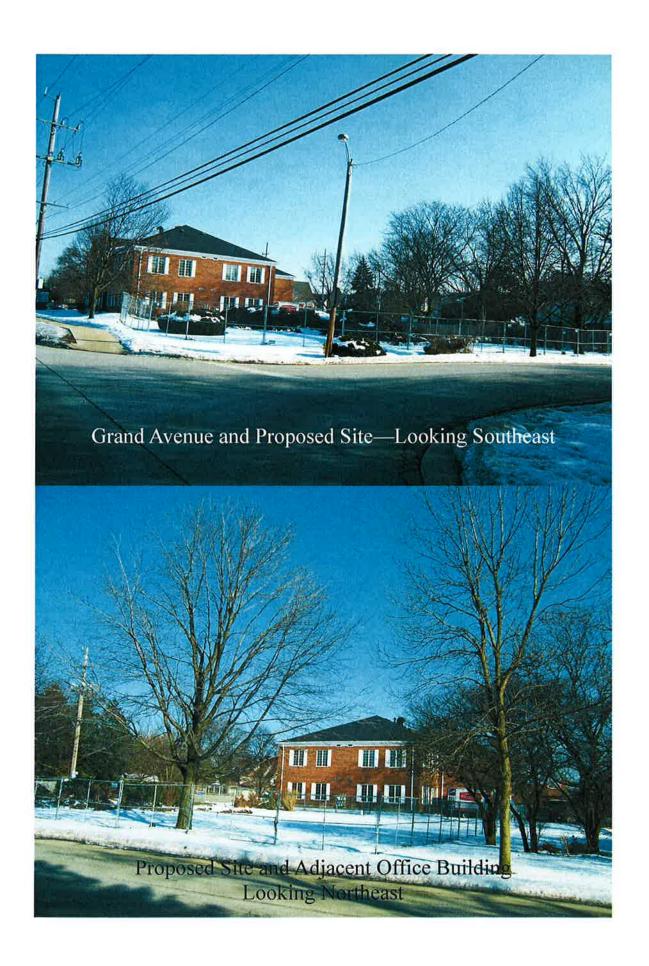
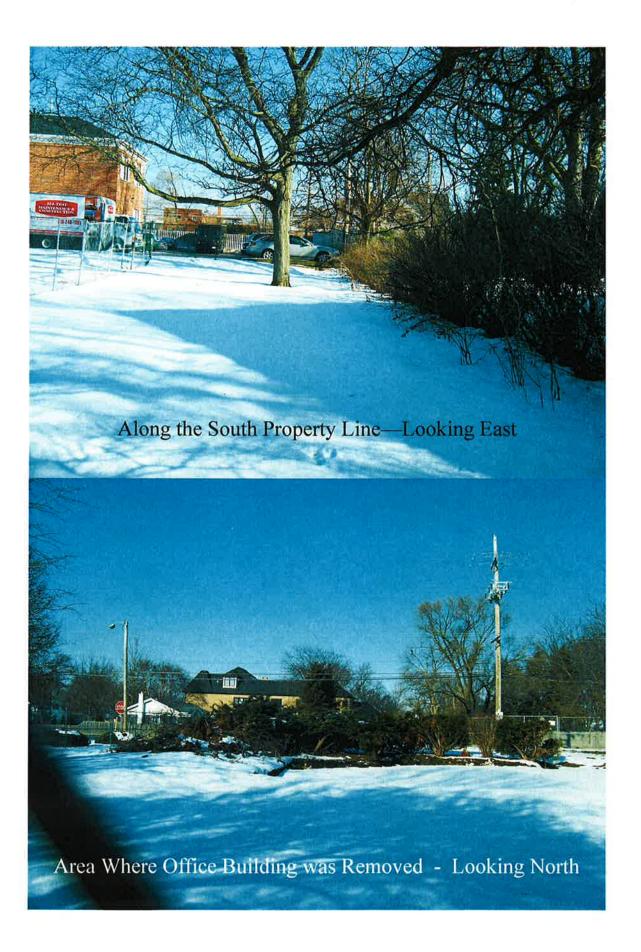
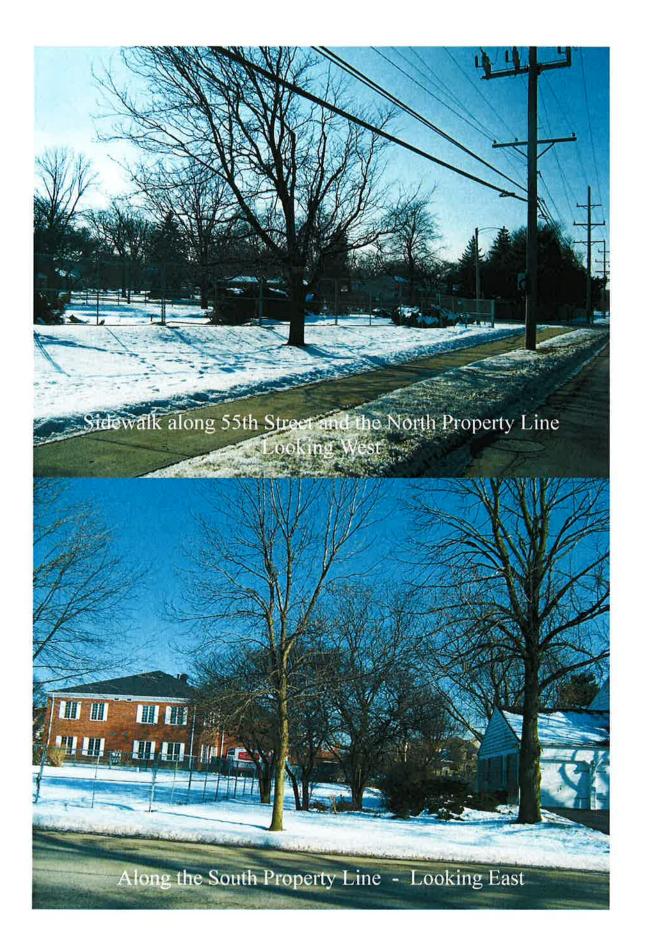
## **APPENDIX B - SITE PHOTOGRAPHS**

• Site Photographs take February 2010









### APPENDIX C - AGENCY COORDINATION

- Western Springs Historical Society
- 2/8/2010 letter from FEMA Region V regarding Endangered Species Act consultation
- 2/18/2010 letter and documentation from FEMA to the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency with a Request for SHPO Comment and Consultation on a Federal Undertaking.
- 3/11/2010 response letter from the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency to FEMA, providing concurrence with the determination that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed project.
- 2/18/2010 letters from FEMA to Tribal Indian Groups regarding known Indian religious or burial sites near the proposed construction.
- March 11, 2010 response from the Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma to FEMA, concurring that no known Indian religious or burial sites will be affected by the proposed project.



February 18, 2009

Anne E. Haaker
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Preservation Services Division
Illinois Historic Preservation Agency
1 Old State Capitol Plaza
Springfield, Illinois 62701-1507

Re: Western Springs Fire Department Project EMW-2009-FC-03509

#### Dear Ms Haaker:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), using ARRA funding authorized under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant / Station Construction Grant Programs, plans to fund the construction of a fire station for the village of Western Springs, Cook County, Illinois. This undertaking will include the construction of a new fire station on a vacant lot currently owned by the village.

In accordance with 36 CFR §800.11, I am enclosing documentation regarding the proposed undertaking and its effect on the subject property. The documentation provides the justification for FEMA's finding of no historic properties affected. The purpose of this communication is to seek concurrence in this finding.

After review of the enclosed documentation, contact Amanda Ratliff, FEMA Regional Environmental Officer, at 312-408-5440 or <a href="mailto:Amanda.Ratliff@dhs.gov">Amanda.Ratliff@dhs.gov</a> with any questions you may have. Pursuant to 36 CFR §800.3(c)(4), if we receive no response by phone or email from your office within thirty (30) days, we will assume your concurrence with our findings. Given the scope of this undertaking, we would consider the SHPO's concurrence to fulfill FEMA's obligations under Section 106 for consultation on this undertaking.

Sincerely,

Amanda C. Ratliff

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer

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February 18, 2010

Western Springs Fire Department Project EMW-2009-FC-03509 Western Springs, Cook County, Illinois

Subject:

Assistance to Firefighters Grant / Station Construction Grant for a new firehouse in Western Springs, Cook County, Illinois.

Description of Undertaking: Construction of new Fire Station at 5501 Grand Avenue, Western Springs, Illinois. Planned station is approximately 7,059 sq ft, with a day room, officer's bedroom, and bunk room. The station will accommodate six firefighters and have a two-bay double-deep apparatus floor to hold two engines, one ambulance, one command vehicle, and a mobile light plant.

The 0.4-acre lot forming the site for this undertaking fronts both Grand Avenue and West 55<sup>th</sup> Street. The site is located on previously-disturbed ground. A one-story commercial structure built in the 1960s was razed in September of 2009 to prepare for the fire station's construction.

Plans include the construction of an 8000 gallon underground storm water detention system beneath the parking lot. Ground disturbance is expected as follows:

- Storm Water Retention Facility: L-91' x W-30' x D-7'
- Proposed Building Footings: L-350' x W-3' x D-4'
- Sanitary Sewer: L-15' x W-8' x D-5'
- Potable Water: L-75' x W-3' x D-6'

See diagram included for placement.

Steps Taken to Identify Historic Properties:

Review of the preliminary environmental assessment revealed the following information about historic land use:

- Prior to the 1970s, the land was vacant or used for agricultural purposes.
- A one-story office building was constructed between 1962 and 1971 by Bellevue Builders, Inc., the developer of the adjacent Ridgewood subdivision in the 1960's. (Aerial from 1962 shows the lot vacant, but in 1971 and later photos, the building is present.)
- Building later used by Timber Trails Country Club, acquired by the village in December 2005 and demolished in September 2009.

Western Springs Fire Department EMW-2009-FC-03509 Western Springs, Cook County, Illinois January 11, 2010 Page 2

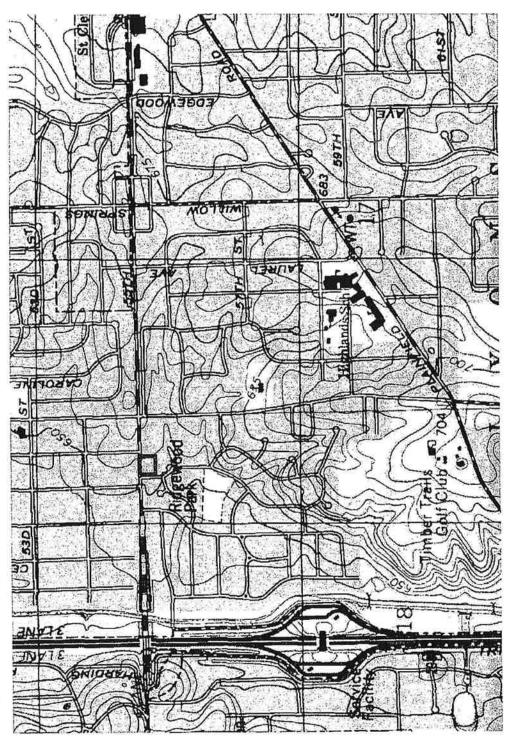
No structures are located within the project site. The Area of Potential Effects includes a number of residential buildings constructed in the 1960s or later, but none are listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Two structures in Western Springs are listed on the National Register. Both are about two miles north of the project site: The First Congregational Church of Western Springs and the Water Tower of Western Springs.

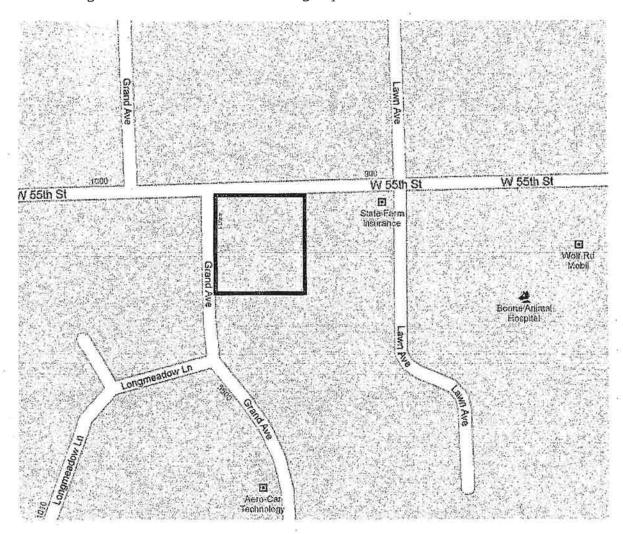
Finding:

FEMA has determined that no historic properties are affected by this undertaking.

USGS Map "Hinsdale" 1:24000, enlarged to show detail. Project area outlined in red below.



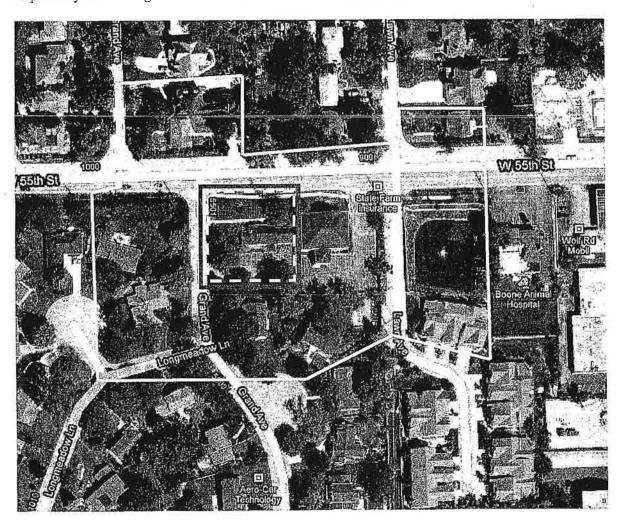
Undertaking site marked in red on the following maps.



Note: Building shown on aerial demolished in September of 2009.



Area of Potential Effects for aboveground resources marked with a solid yellow line below (includes visual effects), and the APE for archaeological resources with a dotted yellow line. See the project site plan for details on the ground-disturbing activities which have the potential to impact any archaeological resources beneath the construction site.



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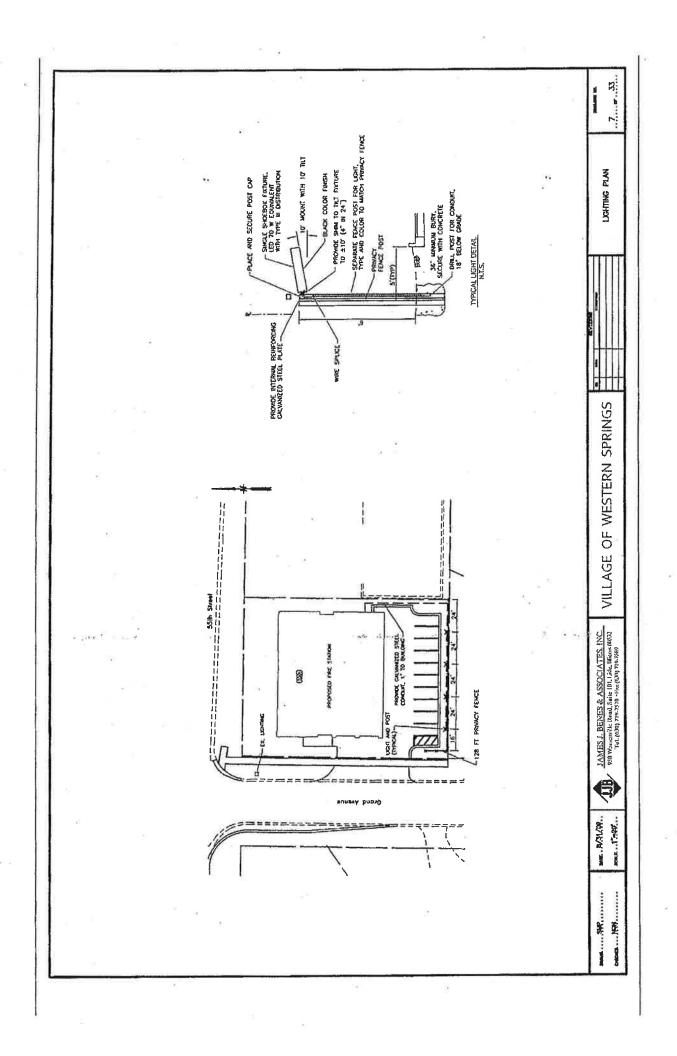
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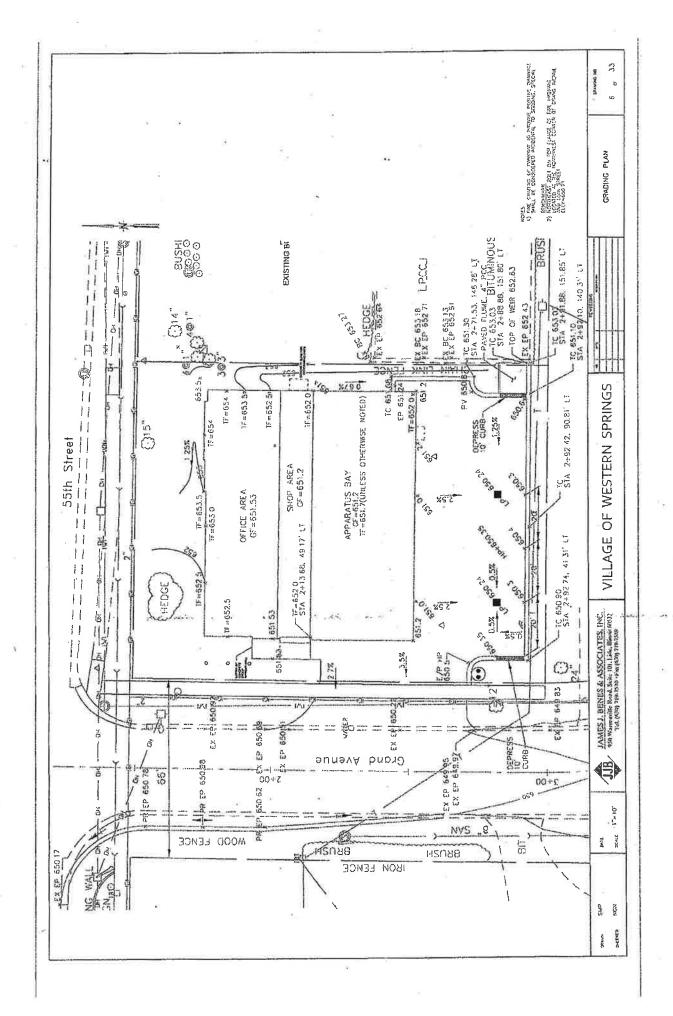
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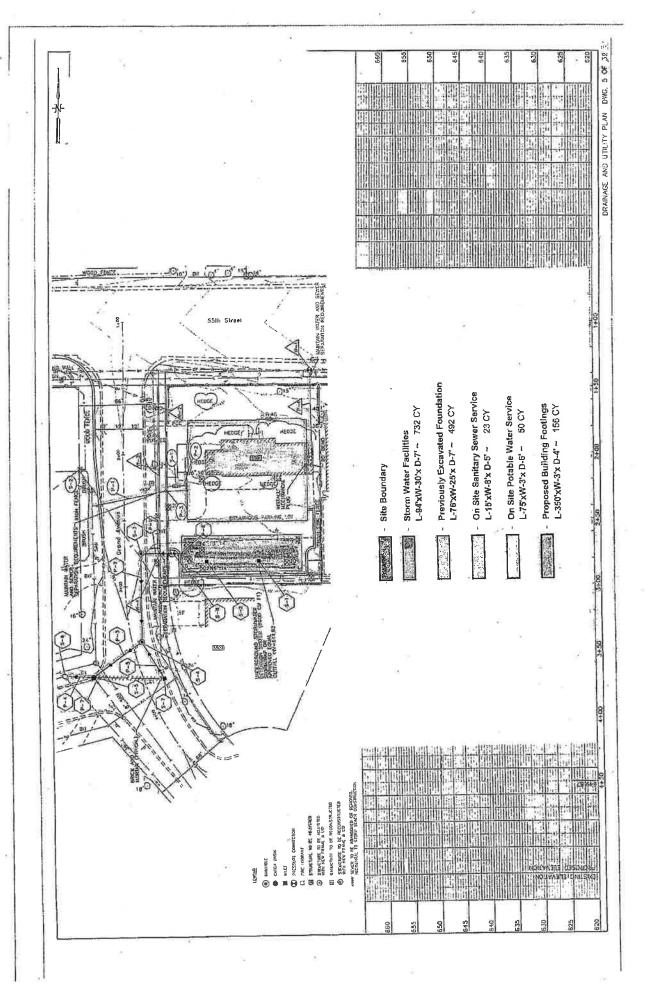
Grand Avenue and Proposed Site—Looking Southeast and Adjacent Office Building

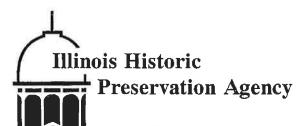
Along the South Property Line—Looking East Area Where Office Building was Removed + Looking North

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Cook County Western Springs 5501 Grand Avenue FEMA-3MW-2009-FC-03509 Fire Station

March 11, 2010

Ms. Amanda C. Ratliff
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Federal Emergency Management Agency
FEMA Regional Environmental Officer
536 South Clark Street, 6th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60605-1521

Dear Madam:

We have reviewed the documentation submitted for the referenced project(s) in accordance with 36 CFR Part 800.4. Based upon the information provided, no historic properties are affected. We, therefore, have no objection to the undertaking proceeding as planned.

PLEASE REFER TO:

Please retain this letter in your files as evidence of compliance with section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. This clearance remains in effect for two (2) years from date of issuance. It does not pertain to any discovery during construction, nor is it a clearance for purposes of the Illinois Human Skeletal Remains Protection Act (20 ILCS 3440).

If you are an applicant, please submit a copy of this letter to the state or federal agency from which you obtain any permit, license, grant, or other assistance.

Sincerely,

Anne E. Haaker

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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February 18, 2010

Thomas E. Gamble, Chief Miami Tribe of Oklahoma P.O. Box 1326 Miami, Oklahoma 74355

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois

(EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chief Gamble:

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Sincerely

Amanda C. Ratliff

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer

Enclosures

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February 18, 2010

Arlen Whitebird, Chairperson Kickapoo Tribe of Indians of the Kickapoo Reservation in Kansas P.O. Box 271 Horton, Kansas 66439

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chairperson Whitebird:

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Amanda C. Ratliff

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FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

Juan Garza, Jr., Chairperson Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas HC 1, Box 9700 Eagle Pass, Texas 78852

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chairperson Garza:

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Sincerely

Amanda C. Ratliff

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

Marlon E. Frye, Chair Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma P.O. Box 70 McCloud, Oklahoma 74851

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chair Frye:

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FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

John Ballard, Chief Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma P.O. Box 110 Miami, Oklahoma 74355

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois

(EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chief Ballard:

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Sincerely

manda C. Ratliff

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

Philip Shopodock, Chairman Forest County Potawatomi Community of Wisconsin P.O. Box 340 Crandon, Wisconsin 54520

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chairman Shopodock:

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Sincerely

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

Steve Ortiz, Chairperson
Prairie Band of Potawatomi Nation
16281 Q Road
Mayetta, Kansas 66509

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois

(EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chairperson Ortiz:

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Sincerely

Amanda C. Ratliff

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

Mark Parrish, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians P.O. Box 180 Dowagiac, Michigan 49047

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Mr. Parrish:

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Sincerely

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

David K. Sprague, Chairperson Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of Michigan P.O. Box 218 Dorr, Michigan 49323

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chairperson Sprague:

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FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

Kenneth Meshigaud, Chairperson Hannahville Indian Community N14911 Hannahville B1 Rd. Wilson, Michigan 49896-9728

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chairperson Meshigaud:

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Sincerely

Amanda C. Ratliff

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

Laura Spurr, Chairperson Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi 2221 - 1 1/2 Mile Rd Fulton, Michigan 49052

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chairperson Spurr:

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Sincerely

Amanda C. Ratliff

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

John P. Froman, Chief Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma P.O. Box 1527 Miami, Oklahoma 74355

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois

(EMW-2009-FC-03509)

#### Dear Chief Froman:

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FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

Adrian Pushetonequa, Chairman. Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa 349 Meskwaki Road Tama, Iowa 52339-9629

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

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FEMA Regional Environmental Officer



February 18, 2010

Twen Barton, Chairperson Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri 305 N. Main Street Reserve, Kansas 66434

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

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Amanda C. Radliff

FEMA Regional Environmental Officer

U.S. Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency 536 S. Clark St., 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Chicago, Illinois 60605-1521



February 18, 2010

John Barrett, Chairman Citizen Potawatomi Nation 1601 S. Gordon Cooper Drive Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801

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February 18, 2010

George Thurman, Principal Chief Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma Rt. 2, Box 246 Stroud, Oklahoma 74079

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

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February 18, 2010

Leaford Bearskin, Chief Wyandotte Nation 64700 East Highway 60 Wyandotte, Oklahoma 74370

Re: Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, Illinois (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Dear Chief Bearskin:

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### PEORIA TRIBE OF INDIANS OF OKLAHOMA



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RE:

Consultation on Western Springs Fire Department Project, Cook County, IL (EMW-2009-FC-03509)

Thank you for notice of the referenced project. The Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma is currently unaware of any documentation directly linking Indian Religious Sites to the proposed construction. In the event any items falling under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) are discovered during construction, the Peoria Tribe request notification and further consultation.

The Peoria Tribe has no objection to the proposed construction. However, if any human skeletal remains and/or any objects falling under NAGPRA are uncovered during construction, the construction should stop immediately, and the appropriate persons, including state and tribal NAGPRA representatives contacted.

John P. Froman

Chief

Bud Ellis, Repatriation/NAGPRA Committee Chairman xc:

### APPENDIX D - TECHNICAL REPORTS

- Village of Western Springs Committee White Paper on the South Side Satellite Fire Station & EMS Facility
- Executive Summary from Phase I Environmental Site Assessment for 5501 Grand Avenue, prepared by Huff & Huff, Inc. and dated January 2006



# VILLAGE OF WESTERN SPRINGS COMMITTEE WHITE PAPER

South Fire Station 5501 Grand Avenue

September 7, 2009

Why has the Village Board decided to build a new satellite fire station at 5501 Grand Avenue – at the corner of 55th Street and Grand Avenue? What has occurred up to now?

On August 7, 2007 the Village Board adopted a resolution beginning the design of a satellite fire station at 5501 Grand Avenue. In a series of steps since that time the design has been completed, a construction management firm retained, and cost estimates refined. The purpose of the station is to address fire and emergency medical services in the southern portion of the Village. While the need for a south station has been discussed for many years, the annexation of Timber Trails in 2005 heightened that discussion. During the annexation negotiations, the Timber Trials developer agreed to donate \$1.3 million for the development of a station and the former owner of the Timber Trails Golf Course offered to provide a partial donation of the property at 5501 Grand as a site. Previously, 5501 Grand had served as the business office for the golf course.

The only reason for constructing a station is to enhance the Village's ability to provide prompt response to fire and emergency medical service calls throughout the Village. Timely response to fires and medical emergencies is the single most important factor in positive outcomes. The Timber Trails annexation has not only stretched the limits of the Village's response capabilities, but over the last couple of decades the growth of vehicular and train traffic has increasingly challenged the Village's ability to provide optimal service throughout the community, in particular south of the Burlington Northern railroad.

After examining a number of service delivery options and other sites, the Village Board concluded that a new station was best placed at 5501 Grand. Since that time, work has proceeded to design a station that fits the Village's current and anticipated needs and is least intrusive on the neighboring properties. This design work has been accomplished by a small team including Village staff, consulting architects and engineers, and the two members of the Village Board who serve on the Properties Committee. Adjacent neighbors have also been invited to several of the design meetings to provide their thoughts and suggestions.

#### Specifically, what is being proposed for construction at 5501 Grand Avenue?

The property at 5501 Grand covers 17,630 square feet (sq.ft.). With a residential lot this size in Western Springs, one could construct a two story, 10,500 + sq.ft. house, 35 feet tall, with a ground footprint of 5,289 sq.ft. The property is currently zoned, O-Office. As such, with a variation one could construct a two and one-half story, 13,500 + sq.ft. office building, 37 feet tall, with a footprint of 6,788 sq. ft.

As you can see from the architect's rendering below, a much smaller facility is being recommended for the fire station. The design team concluded that maximizing the possible square footage or the height of a station was not functionally required, fiscally responsible, or neighborhood friendly.

The new fire station will be a one story building of 6,991 sq. ft. At its peak it will be 28 feet tall. This compares to the Wilson office building to the east which is 37 feet tall and the residence to the south which is 29 feet tall. The footprint of this one-story building is slightly larger (3%) than what could be accommodated under the current office zoning. This additional 203 sq. ft. provides for better space utilization and allows the emergency power generator to be housed inside instead of outside of the building in the side or rear yards. Under the new proposed zoning classification, all dimensions of the building will be in compliance.



# Why adopt the new Municipal and Governmental Land (MGL) District zoning classification? What are the zoning facts and history of the property at 5501 Grand Avenue?

When Ridgewood was annexed to the Village in 1974, the property at 5501 Grand Avenue was zoned C-Commercial. Under that zoning classification a much larger building could have been constructed covering almost the entire property (i.e. a three story, 45,000 + sq. ft. building, up to 45 feet tall). In 1989 the property was rezoned to a new zoning classification, O-Office, which had recently been adopted. Under the current O-Office zoning the maximum sized office building which could be constructed, with a variation, is a two story building of 13,578 sq. ft. with a footprint of 6,788 sq.ft.

The purpose of the MGL classification is to provide zoning controls for governmental buildings and land. The characteristics of governmental uses are often unique and frequently don't readily fit into typical commercial or office zoning classifications. MGL has been under discussion since the 1990's and was recommended in the 2003 Land Use Plan. LaGrange, Hinsdale, Elmhurst, and Countryside have adopted similar classifications. The Village Board's Planning and Zoning Committee has recently recommended the adoption of an MGL classification with the further recommendation that the fire station at 5501 Grand would be suitable to include in this new district.

It has been suggested that the adoption of a new MGL classification is unprecedented and is a convenient mechanism for the Village to ignore its existing regulations. This is not the case. Nearly every change to the text of the Village's modern zoning ordinance since its adoption in 1948 — with major updates in 1962 and 1992 — has been in response to specific proposals and situations at the time. These text amendments have ranged from the simple addition of a new approved use, up to and including the adoption of entirely new zoning classifications. The real question is whether such a classification is suitable at this time and appropriately used in this case.

The Village Board Planning and Zoning Committee thinks that it is appropriate and that the public interest will be better served in this manner rather than by slightly reducing the size of the building from its proposed size of 6,991 sq. ft. to 6,788 sq. ft. Such a reduction in size would have a minimal impact on the exterior view of the station, and yet, could compromise its short and long term usefulness, as well as, result in a less residential friendly facility by placing the emergency generator on the exterior of the building in one of the side or rear yards.

#### Why this location? Were other sites considered?

While other sites were considered, 5501 Grand Avenue presented a unique opportunity for constructing a centrally located satellite fire station in the southern part of the Village with immediate and safe access to major arterial streets. It was also suitably placed in an area of transitional zoning between more intensely utilized commercial locations to the east and the beginning of less intensely used residential areas to the south. The building is designed to look residential and for most of the day will function as a quiet and unintrusive facility. On the two or three times per day when it will actively function as a fire/emergency medical service (EMS) facility, response traffic (other than for calls within Ridgewood) will utilize 55<sup>th</sup> Street. All parking will be on-site. Lighting and landscaping will have a residential character. Minimal signage is anticipated.

Other sites were considered but were not thought as desirable. Utilization of the Pleasantview fire house on Plainfield Road was examined and rejected. In addition to a host of operational and financial issues, that location would have done little to improve overall fire and emergency medical services in most of the area of the Village south of the Burlington Northern tracks.

### What is involved in the widening of Grand Avenue as it approaches 55<sup>th</sup> Street from the south?

One of the recommended components of this project is a modest widening of Grand Avenue immediately adjacent to the property at 5501 Grand. The widening at its maximum extent will be 6 feet and will extend less than 120 feet south of the intersection. The design committee considered several alternate designs and the final design was favored by the adjacent residents. This widening will not only improve traffic flows for the occasional fire trucks using the intersection but will also protect and benefit the several hundred cars a day entering into and exiting from Ridgewood.

# How much will the construction of the new fire station cost? Where will the money come from? How much will it cost to operate? Will our property taxes be impacted?

The estimated cost of the construction of the fire station and adjacent street work is \$2,060,775. It is anticipated that the entire cost of this construction will be paid for by the developer donations from the Timber Trails annexation, and state and federal grants. It is not anticipated that any property taxes or other local taxes will be utilized to fund this project, although some funding already exists in the special reserve fund should it be required. Once the station is finished, operational costs should be minimal. The current staffing plan reassigns existing resources – personnel, equipment, and vehicles – from the main station. Utility costs will be assumed under the Village's various franchise agreements. There will be some minor additional housekeeping and landscape maintenance costs.

# Will drainage patterns be impacted in Ridgewood? Will there be any additional street or backyard flooding problems caused by this construction?

No. The major flooding improvements made in Ridgewood in the late 1980's, and then partially reconfigured with the construction of Heritage Court, will continue to operate exactly the same as they have in the past. The diversion of storm water around the exterior of Ridgewood, from the uplands area of the Highlands to the east and southeast, will continue without interruption.

There are a couple of more localized flooding issues which will be addressed by this project. These include yard flooding at the residential property to the south of the fire station and the street drainage issues at the intersection of Grand and 55<sup>th</sup>. Both of these will be improved.

### What happens next?

The Village's Plan Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday evening, September 10, 2009 in the Village Board Room, 740 Hillgrove Avenue, at 7:00 p.m. Thereafter, the Commission will either make a recommendation(s) regarding these issues or continue the hearing to the following week. It is anticipated that the Village Board will consider the Commission's recommendations later this month. Meeting dates can be found on the Village's home page at <a href="www.wsprings.com">www.wsprings.com</a>.

## ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT PHASE I

Of 5501 Grand Avenue Western Springs, Illinois

Prepared for
The Village of Western Springs
740 Hillgrove Avenue
Western Springs, IL 60558

Prepared by James E. Huff, P.E. Sarah Monette

January 2006



HUFF & HUFF, INC. ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS LAGRANGE, ILLINOIS

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This report presents the results of the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) that Huff & Huff, Inc. (H&H) conducted of an office building property located in Western Springs, Illinois. This property will hereafter be referred to as the "5501 Grand Property." H&H conducted the ESA during December 2005 – January 2006 at the request of the Village of Western Springs.

The 5501 Grand Property is located at the southeast corner of the intersection of Grand Aveune and 55<sup>th</sup> Street in the Village of Western Springs (Cook County; T38N, R12E, S18). The site is basically rectangular in shape and is comprised of approximately 0.4 acres. A one-story office building is present, with associated parking lot and landscaping. The office currently is used by the former owners of the Timber Trails Country Club, Inc. (including Mr. Geoff Anderson), and had been built and used by Bellevue Builders, Inc., a residential development company owned by Mr. Anderson's family. The site apparently was farmland / vacant land until development as an office building in the 1960s. Most surrounding properties also were developed during the 1950s and 1960s, as residential and commercial properties.

The current environmental status of the 5501 Grand Property was investigated, including: chemical use and storage; underground and aboveground storage tanks; solid waste (non-hazardous and hazardous); wastewater; polychlorinated biphenyls; and environmental liens. Available environmental records regarding the 5501 Grand Property and surrounding properties were reviewed to determine potential environmental concerns. Ms. Sarah Monette of H&H conducted a limited site inspection on December 19, 2005. All obvious sources of environmental concern were investigated. No activities or materials inconsistent with office usage were noted.

#### **Findings**

H&H performed this Phase I ESA in general conformance with the scope and limitations of ASTM E1527-00. Any exceptions to, or deletions from, this practice are described in Section 1.2. This assessment has revealed no evidence of recognized environmental conditions.

# APPENDIX E - PUBLIC NOTICE & FONSI

- Draft Public Notice
- Published Public Notice
- Finding of No Significant Impact

### Federal Emergency Management Agency PUBLIC NOTICE

### Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment For Construction of the South Fire Station and EMS Facility 5501 Grand Avenue, Western Springs, Illinois

Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Western Springs South Fire Station and EMS Facility, Cook County, Illinois; to be constructed under the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Fire Station Construction Grants (FSC) Section of the Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program (AFGP).

Interested parties are hereby notified that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)/Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is proposing to assist in the funding of a new fire station and EMS facility for the Village of Western Springs, on vacant property located at 5501 Grand Avenue, Western Springs, Cook County, Illinois. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, and the implementing regulations of FEMA, an EA is being prepared to assess the potential impacts of each of the proposed alternatives on the human and natural environment. This also provides public notice to invite public comments on the proposed project in accordance with Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, and Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands. In addition, this notice and the draft EA provide information to the public on potential impacts to historic and cultural resources from the proposed undertaking, as outlined in the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966.

The draft EA is available for review from March 29, 2010 to April 29, 2010 in the Village Clerk's office in the Village Hall at 740 Hillgrove Avenue, Western Springs, IL 60558 between 9:00 am and 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday. The draft EA is also available for review at the Thomas Ford Memorial Library, 800 Chestnut Street, Western Springs, IL 60558 during normal hours of operation. The draft EA is also available for review online at the FEMA website: <a href="http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehpsenvdocuments/ea-regionS.shtm">http://www.fema.gov/plan/ehpsenvdocuments/ea-regionS.shtm</a>.

Written comments regarding this environmental action should be received no later than 5:00 p.m. (local time), April 29, 2010, by Amanda C. Ratliff, Regional Environmental Officer, FEMA, 536 South Clark Street, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chicago, IL 60605-1521; or at Amanda Ratliff@dhs.gov.

If no substantive comments are received by the above deadline, the draft EA and associated Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) will become final and be published by FEMA. Substantive comments will be addressed as appropriate in the final documents.

The public may request a copy of the final environmental documents from Amanda C. Ratliff at the address listed above.